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CHIGNIK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT # 14

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Through 8:00 a.m. Saturday, July 20 a total of 793 Chinook (king) salmon have passed through the Chignik River weir. The escapement goal for Chignik River king salmon is 1,300 to 2,700 spawning fish above the weir. To ensure that the escapement goal is achieved the following management actions are necessary.

In the **Chignik Bay District** of the Chignik Management Area, beginning at **12:01 a.m. Sunday**, **July 21 Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length <u>may not be retained</u> for sale or home pack in the commercial salmon fishery <u>until further notice</u> and must be returned to the water unharmed.**

Statistical charts, harvest strategies, and subsistence fishing permits are available at the Chignik weir and the Kodiak regional ADF&G offices. Commercial fishing regulations, salmon harvest, escapement, and news releases can be found on the ADF&G website at http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareachignik.salmon. Fishermen are encouraged to standby on VHF Channel 6 at 9:15 a.m. and 6:15 p.m. daily for fishery updates.